WHAT IS CLAIMED AS NEW AND DESIRED TO BE SECURED BY LETTER
PATENT OF THE UNITED STATES IS:

     1.  A printing system having at least one printer,
comprising:

     a document supervisory client configured to generate
at least one print condition setting; and

     a document supervisory server configured to perform
printing base upon a printing request from the document
supervisory client in accordance with the print condition
settings;

     wherein said document supervisory client makes a
query to the document supervisory server via a network if
the print condition settings are appropriate in a printer,
said document supervisory server returns advisability of
the print condition settings to the document supervisory
client.

     2.  The printing system according to claim 1,
wherein said document supervisory server changes a
combination of the print condition settings and sends an
appropriate combination including one set of changed print
condition settings to the document supervisory client when
determining the print condition settings are inappropriate.

     3.  A printing system, comprising:

     a first computer including a document supervisory
client configured to generate at least one print condition
setting; and

     a second computer including a document supervisory
server configured to perform printing base upon a printing
request from the document supervisory client in accordance

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with the at least one print condition setting; and

at least one printer connected to a network;

wherein said document supervisory client makes a
query to the document supervisory server via the network if
the print condition settings are appropriate in one of said
at least one printer, said document supervisory server
returns advisability of the print condition settings to the
document supervisory client.

4.    The printing system according to claim 3,
wherein said document supervisory server changes a
combination of the at least one print condition setting and
sends an appropriate combination including a changed set of
print condition settings to the document supervisory client
when determining the at least one print condition setting
is inappropriate.

5.    The printing system according to claim 1,
wherein said document supervisory server sends initial
setting values with applicable character strings and graphs
each representing print condition settings to the document
supervisory client, and said document supervisory client
generates a user interface configured to allow print
condition settings based upon the setting values, character
strings, and graphs.

6.    The printing system according to claim 5,
wherein, said document supervisory server changes a
combination of the print condition settings and sends an
appropriate combination including one set of changed print
condition settings to the document supervisory client when
determining the print condition settings are an

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inappropriate combination.

       7.   The printing system according to claim 3, wherein said document supervisory server sends initial setting values with applicable character strings and graphs each representing print condition settings to the document supervisory client, and said document supervisory client generates a user interface configured to allow print condition settings based upon the setting values, character strings, and graphs.

       8.   The printing system according to claim 7, wherein, said document supervisory server changes a combination of the print condition settings and sends an appropriate combination including one set of changed print condition settings to the document supervisory client when determining the print condition settings are an inappropriate combination.

       9.   The printing system according to any one of claims 3 to 8, wherein, said document supervisory client is configured to send an ID which uniquely identifies a document stored in a database in a document supervisory server, and said document supervisory server obtains an applicable document corresponding to the ID and executes printing the applicable document in accordance with the print condition settings.

       10.   A printing method, comprising the steps of:

       generating at least one prescribed print condition setting in a first computer;

       transmitting a query to a second computer via a

network if the print condition settings are appropriate in a printer connected to the network;

returning advisability of the print condition settings from the second computer to the first computer; and

performing printing in accordance with the advisability.


11.   The printing method according to claim 10, further comprising the steps of:

determining if the print condition settings are appropriate in the printer;

changing a combination of the print condition settings to an appropriate combination; and

sending the appropriate combination to the first computer.


12.   The printing method according to claim 11, further comprising the steps of:

sending all of setting values related to the printer as appropriate print condition settings, applicable character strings, and graphs representing initial print condition settings to the first computer; and

generating a user interface configured to allow modification of print condition settings based upon the setting values, character strings, and graphs.


13.   The printing method according to claim 12, further comprising the steps of:

sending an ID from the first computer to the second computer via the network, said ID uniquely identifies a document;

obtaining the document corresponding to the ID; and

executing printing the document based on the print condition settings.

5      14.   A printing system having means for printing, comprising:

means for generating at least one print condition setting; and

means for printing based upon the at least one print

10   condition setting;

wherein said means for generating makes a query to the means for printing via means for networking if the print condition setting is appropriate in the means for printing, said means for print printing returns

15   advisability of the at least one print condition setting based on a condition of the means for printing.